



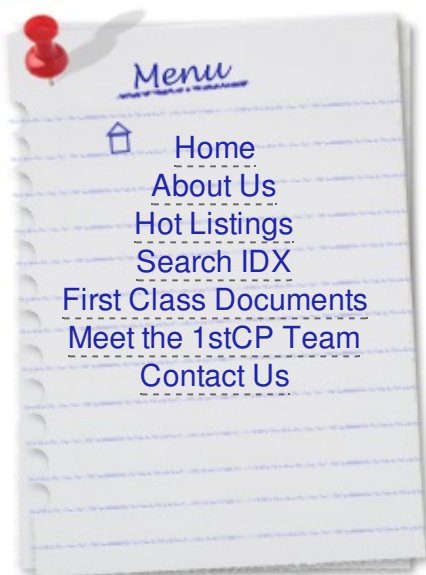
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Maybe you've heard that the city of Portland, Oregon has been proclaimed as North America's "Best Big City," according to Money magazine. One visit will explain why. Come get a first-hand look at our unmatched natural beauty, our bustling local scene, our sumptuous dining and welcoming accommodations -- all effortlessly accessed thanks to our justly-famous light-rail system. Though it's not easy being green, it's exactly why so many visitors flock here, year-round.

Portland is an eclectic metropolis, which offers both sophisticated and alternative styles of housing and culture. Portland offers a wide price range for homes for sale with housing available from as low as \$50,000 to several million. Portland's residents find the medium-sized city of just over half a million an idea place to live known for its friendliness, rich cultural scene and variety of outdoor pursuits. A temperate climate, thriving economy and close proximity to both the Pacific Ocean and the Cascade Mountains are among the many reasons Portland has been continually ranked in the top cities on the "most livable city" lists.



Portland was founded in 1845 by Lovejoy and Francis Pettygrove, who christened it "Portland". The surveyor Thomas Brown choose to lay out a grid of 16 blocks which formed the original basis of the downtown of the

city. This original subdivided area extended from the river to Second Avenue and from Washington to Jefferson streets. Portlanders enjoy the city's close proximity to the ocean and mountains, but even a person stuck in the city can find a little slice of nature. With more than 4,600

acres, Forest Park is the largest city park in the U.S.

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